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As a long time PC user, and resident of Utah (one of the states whining about the settlement) I would just like to say that Novell at one time dominated the networking/desktop environment. The main reason they lost this position is their lack of focus and concentration , not some alleged "unfair" tactics on the part of Microsoft.

The local politicians and power structure see this trial as a way to show their "dedication" in defending their constituents. The fact that the local "bull got gored" does not constitute unfair business practice. If Novell had paid attention to the market place, and made their core product better it would still be number one in terms of market share. Microsoft is a relentless competitor, and one must pay attention to the game if one wishes to win.

best regards
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